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TOWN OFFICERS—1925-26

OFFICERS CHOSEN MARCH ELECTION, 1925

TOWN CLERK

JAMES H. BROWN

SELECTMEN

LOUIS B. JANVRIN WALTER B. FARMER
ARTHUR J. SEWALL

TOWN TREASURER

WILLIAM H. McDEVITT

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

ARCHIBALD LANTZ

SCHOOL BOARD

MRS. WILLIAM CRAM MRS. ARTHUR CHASE
ROSCOE SWAIN

SCHOOL TREASURER

FORREST B. CREIGHTON

(Elected November 1924)

MODERATOR

WALTER B. FARMER

SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

WALTER A. LADD ARTHUR W. CHASE
FORREST B. CREIGHTON

TOWN WARRANT

(L. S.) STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the inhabitants of the Town of Hampton Falls, N. H., the County of Rockingham in said State, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town hall in said Hampton Falls on Tuesday, the Ninth day of March next, at Ten of the clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and make appropriation for same.

3. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums to pay Armas Guyon $327.94; H. Porter Brown $135.18; Joseph Bragg $10.75; Elwin Pevear $11.34, for labor contracted in 1924.

4. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $75 to reimburse the subscribers for the Boulder Fund that made it possible for the town to furnish a boulder at Hampton Memorial Park.

5. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate an additional sum sufficient to purchase a tractor and snow plow.

6. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate $500 to construct a gravel sidewalk starting at Akerman's corner on the Lafayette road going towards the Hampton line, providing the abutters on both sides of

the road will proportionally pay one-third of the $500 in addition.

7. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate $400 to continue the work of suppression of the "Pine Blister Rust."

8. To see what action the town will take towards recovering $878.43, one-half the cost of the Exeter Road Bridge.

9. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal this Seventeenth day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and twenty-six.

LOUIS B. JANVRIN,
WALTER B. FARMER,
ARTHUR J. SEWALL,
Selectmen of Hampton Falls.

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

LOUIS B. JANVRIN,
WALTER B. FARMER,
ARTHUR J. SEWALL,
Selectmen of Hampton Falls.

BUDGET OF THE

Estimates of revenue and expenditures for the ensuing year, Janu
and expenditures of the previous year

SOURCES OF REVENUE

From State		
Insurance tax	$ 140.82	$ 140.82
Railroad tax	175.20	175.20
Savings bank tax	323.64	323.64
Highways: State aid main.		2,000.00
Highways: Trunk line main.	64.94	800.00
Interest and Dividend tax	1,854.75	1,500.00
Refund on monument	100.00	
Forestry	2.65	
From Local Sources Except Taxes		
All licenses and permits except dog licenses	1,402.61	1,400.00
Rent of Town hall	6.31	
Interest received on taxes and deposits	62.15	50.00
Check not cashed	7.00	
From Poll Taxes		
Other taxes except property taxes	714.00	476.00
From State: New Construction		
For State aid highway cons.	305.20	305.20
Amount Raised by Issue of Bonds Or Notes		
Temporary loans	6,000.00	
Revenue For Other Governmental Divisions		
Dog tax	73.60	
Total, except property taxes	$11,232.87	$ 7,170.86
Amount raised by property taxes	17,061.82	11,517.62
Cash on hand, Jan. 31, 1925	426.96	
Total Revenues	$28,721.65	$18,688.48

ary 31, 1926 to January 31, 1927, compared with actual revenue January 31, 1925 to January 31, 1926

PURPOSES OF EXPENDITURES

General Government		
Town officers' salaries	$ 811.15	$ 750.00
Town officers' expenses	250.14	250.00
Election, registration exp.		25.00
Care and supplies Town hall	69.20	75.00
Protection Persons and Property		
Police department	252.00	200.00
Fire department	14.00	
Health		
Health department	14.70	20.00
Highway and Bridges		
State aid: State's contrib.		2,000.00
State aid: Town's contrib.	1,356.31	1,000.00
Trunk line: State's contrib.		800.00
Trunk line: Town's contrib.	949.13	800.00
Town maintenance	1,465.74	2,000.00
Highway Dept., snow	161.32	1,000.00
Education		
Libraries	150.00	150.00
Patriotic Purposes		
Mem. Day; other celebrations	21.39	25.00
Interest		
On temporary loans	170.84	100.00
On long term notes	175.00	150.00
New Construction; Improvements		
Town construction	1,823.65	
Abatements	315.54	
Payment on Principal of Debt		
Bonds: temporary loans	6,000.00	
Long term notes	2,500.00	1,000.00
To Other Governmental Divisions		
Excess polls	510.00	
State taxes	1,275.00	1,275.00
County taxes	1,082.84	923.48
Payments to school districts	7,435.30	6,145.00
Balance in treasury	1,918.40	
Total expenditures	$28,721.65	$18,688.48

INVENTORY

Land and buildings	$625,333.00	
115 horses	10,810.00	
1 mule	50.00	
2 oxen	100.00	
43 neat stock	1,195.00	
313 cows	15,450.00	
4 hogs	55.00	
34 sheep	238.00	
2,703 fowl	2,703.00	
6 gasoline tanks	1,500.00	
8 portable mills	850.00	
Wood and lumber	54,125.00	
Stock in trade	23,900.00	
Refrigerating machine	800.00	
4 aqueducts	250.00	
Total, (exclusive of Soldiers' exempt)		$737,359.00
Poll taxes	$ 756.00	
Amt. taxes committed to col., including poll taxes	18,083.98	
Amount exempted to soldiers	3,070.00	

Average rate per cent of taxation for all purposes $2.35 per $100.

APPROPRIATIONS

Town charges	$1,000.00	
Roads and bridges	2,000.00	
Trunk line maintenance	1,000.00	
State aid maintenance	1,000.00	
Town debt	1,000.00	
Emergency note	1,200.00	
Electric road	500.00	
Town library	150.00	
Memorial Day	50.00	
Snow plow	2,000.00	
Gravel on South road	400.00	
		$10,300.00
Schools		6,300.00
County tax		1,082.84
		$17,682.84

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TOWN OF HAMPTON FALLS BALANCE

ASSETS

Cash in N. H. Nat'l Bank	$1,918.40	
Uncollected taxes, 1925	1,357.20	
Due from State contingent fund	915.60	
Due from State, trunk line main	474.56	
Due from State, State aid main	184.87	
		$4,850.63
Deficit		1,722.97
		$6,573.60

SHEET JANUARY 31, 1926

LIABILITIES

Dog tax	$ 73.60	
Balance due schools	1,000.00	
Tractor appro. not expended	2,000.00	
E. H. & A. St. R. R.	500.00	
Town notes, long term	3,000.00	
		$6,573.60
Town liability	$1,722.97	

TREASURER'S REPORT

DR.

To	Balance, Jan. 31, 1925	$ 426.96
	Check No. 848, not cashed	7.00
	Taxes collected, 1924	1,049.04
	Taxes collected, 1925	16,726.78
	Interest on taxes	46.30
	State Insurance tax	140.82
	railroad tax	175.20
	savings bank tax	323.64
	forestry refund	2.65
	refund on intangibles	1,811.26
	interest on intangibles	43.49
	refund on monument	100.00
	aid construction	305.20
	trunk line main., 1924	64.94
	Automobile permits, 1925	1,387.61
	Dog tax	73.60
	Interest on deposits	15.85
	Pool table license	15.00
	N. H. Nat'l Bank temp. loans	6,000.00
	Town hall	6.31
		$28,721.65

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By	Town officers' salaries.....$	811.15
	Town officers' exp., books, ptg.	250.14
	Health department.....	14.70
	Police department.....	252.00
	Patriotic purposes.....	21.39
	Library	150.00
	Town hall.....	69.20
	Town maintenance.....	1,465.74
	Permanent improvement....	1,390.40
	Trunk line maintenance.....	949.13
	State aid maintenance.....	1,356.31
	Great Hill special.....	433.25
	Snow paths.....	161.32
	Fire prevention.....	14.00
	State tax.....	1,275.00
	County tax.....	1,082.84
	Tax (State) excess poll, 1924	510.00
	Notes, State aid.....	1,000.00
	Notes, temp., special appro.	1,500.00
	Notes, temporary, 1925.....	6,000.00
	Int. on long term notes.....	175.00
	Int. on temporary notes.....	170.84
	Schools	7,435.30
	Abatements and discount....	315.54
	Cash in treas., Jan. 31, 1926	1,918.40
		$28,721.65

WILLIAM H. McDEVITT,
Treasurer

AUDITORS' REPORT

Hampton Falls, N. H., Feb. 6, 1926.

We, the undersigned auditors, have this day examined the foregoing accounts of the Town Treasurer, and find them well vouched and correctly cast, and a balance of One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighteen Dollars, Forty Cents ($1,918.40) in the hand of the Treasurer.

B. T. JANVRIN,
CHARLES N. DODGE,
HELEN F. BATCHELDER,
Auditors

SELECTMEN'S REPORT ON EXPENDITURES

SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICERS

Paid	Louis A. Janvrin, selectman	$169.75
	Walter B. Farmer, selectman	181.00
	Arthur J. Sewall, selectman	158.00
	William H. McDevitt, treas.	100.00
	James H. Brown, town clerk	32.65
	Archibald Lantz, tax collector	100.00
	Helen F. Batchelder, auditor	12.00
	James H. Brown, auditor	6.00
	George A. Merrill, selectman, 1924	8.00
	Frank H. Lord, town clerk, 1924	23.75
	Chas. I. Akerman, care of clock	20.00
		$811.15

OFFICERS' EXPENSES, BOOKS AND PRINTING

Paid	C. F. Adams, ptg. town reports	$ 70.00
	C. F. Adams, ptg. inventories	33.25
	Edson C. Eastman, books and blanks	26.24
	W. P. Farmer, treas. assessors' association	2.00
	Geo. F. Merrill, stamped envel.	11.51
	Jackman & Land, bonds for officers	20.00
	F. A. Batchelder, town counsel	75.00
	W. H. McDevitt, postage, telephone, and stationery	6.34
	Geo. A. Merrill, assessing	2.00
	Walter A. Ladd, assessing	1.80

	Arthur G. Wadleigh, assessing	1.50	
	Dr. A. M. Fernald, returns	.50	
			$250.14

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Paid	Arthur W. Chase, health officer	$14.70	
			$14.70

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Paid	Arthur W. Chase, officer	$108.00	
	Perley E. Ladd, officer	74.00	
	Fred M. Batchelder, uniforms	70.00	
			$252.00

PATRIOTIC PURPOSES

Paid	Charles N. Dodge, flags	$ 6.39	
	W. H. Lang, plants	12.00	
	Walter A. Ladd, decor. graves	3.00	
			$21.39

LIBRARY

Paid	Helen Batchelder, library appr.	$75.00	
	James H. Brown, insurance	75.00	
			$150.00

TOWN MAINTENANCE

Paid	Mitchell O'Brien, supervisor	$348.75	
	Walter A. Ladd, supervisor	543.36	
	Albert W. Elkins, supervisor	408.45	
	Arthur J. Sewall	8.00	
	B. T. Janvrin	30.72	
	George A. Janvrin, gravel	4.00	
	B. T. Janvrin, tile for Depot rd.	2.80	

Chas. N. Dodge, gravel	8.75	
Francis C. Dennett, sign boards	68.75	
J. Templeton, road closing signs	.50	
Chas. Harrison, repairs to tools	16.65	
George C. Healey, lantern	1.60	
George F. Merrill lanterns, oil and globes	3.84	
Penn Culvert Co., metal culverts	19.57	
		$1,465.74

PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT

Paid	Albert W. Elkins	$1,161.50	
	B. T. Janvrin	18.58	
	Chas. N. Dodge, gravel	85.75	
	W. A. Young, tile	69.42	
	Irving W. Brown, catch basins	55.15	
			$1,390.40

TRUNK LINE MAINTENANCE

Paid	Albert W. Elkins	$642.55	
	Charles N. Dodge, gravel	42.25	
	George A. Janvrin, gravel	8.00	
	B. T. Janvrin	12.00	
	Irving W. Brown, tile work	111.31	
	Penn Metal Culvert Co., culverts	80.00	
	Standard Oil Co., patching oil	53.02	
			$949.13

TOWN HALL

Paid	James H. Brown, insurance	$44.00	
	Exeter & Hampton Elec. Co., light bills	25.20	
			$69.20

STATE AID MAINTENANCE

Paid Albert W. Elkins	$544.50	
Mitchell O'Brien	539.59	
Standard Oil Co., patching oil	173.28	
George A. Janvrin, gravel	46.20	
B. T. Janvrin	52.74	
		$1,356.31

GREAT HILL SPECIAL APPROPRIATION

Paid Walter A. Ladd	$433.25	
		$433.25

SNOW PATHS

Paid Albert W. Elkins	$80.25	
Mitchell O'Brien	31.40	
Walter A. Ladd	8.07	
Town of Exeter, breaking Exeter road	30.00	
B. T. Janvrin, breaking trunk line	11.60	
		$161.32

FIRE PREVENTION

Paid Town of Exeter, fire at J. E. Sanborn's	$10.00	
Archibald Lantz, fire at Young's	2.00	
Clar. E. Michaels, fire at Young's	2.00	
		$14.00

STATE TAX

Paid Henry E. Chamberlin, State treasurer	$635.34	
State Credits	639.66	
Henry E. Chamberlin, excess poll tax, 1924	510.00	
		$1,785.00

COUNTY TAX

Paid Earl R. Stockbridge, county treasurer	$1,082.84	
		$1,082.84

NEW HAMPSHIRE NATIONAL BANK

Paid Serial road note	$1,000.00	
Tem. loan, 1924, spec. appro.	1,500.00	
Temporary loans for 1925	6,000.00	
Int. on long term notes	175.00	
Int. on temporary loans	170.84	
		$8,845.84

SCHOOLS

Paid Forrest B. Creighton, school treasurer	$7,435.30	
		$7,435.30

ABATEMENTS

1924

Paid Wallace D. C. Dodge	$25.00	
Frank Kennedy, soldier	10.00	
Maurice French, poll	5.00	
William Price, poll	5.00	
D. L. Whittemore	6.00	
Gladys L. Merrill, refund on auto permit	13.26	
		$64.26

1925

Paid Archibald Lantz, discount on taxes	$53.95	
Myron Brown, soldier	3.00	
David Irving, soldier	3.00	
George Mahar, soldier	3.00	

Harry G. Sturgis, soldier	3.00
Dr. Arthur M. Dodge, soldier	3.00
George Crediford, soldier	3.00
Ira Gove, soldier	3.00
Eben Pevear, soldier	3.00
Everett Janvrin, soldier	3.00
Alfred Lingham, soldier	4.18
Walter R. Trafton, soldier	3.00
Walter Sturgis, non-resident	3.00
Minnie Sturgis, non-resident	3.00
William H. Cochrane, poll	3.00
Warren J. Prescott, rebated by tax commission	7.05
Ellen F. Lord	16.45
Helen Birtwell	7.05
John Brown	4.70
Walter W. Combs	16.92
Alice Creighton	4.70
James D. L. Janvrin	7.05
Mrs. Lamprey and Crane	4.70
Mrs. Nahum Swain	9.40
Carslile and Lord	10.34
Fred Riley	4.11
George J. Curtis	23.50
L. Fred Wesson	2.93
Elvin J. Prescott	9.40
Grant B. Sanborn	11.75
F. D. Corson	9.40
George Felker	4.70
	$251.28

SELECTMEN'S REPORT

The Selectmen, in submitting their report for 1925, wish to call the tax payers' attention to several unusual expenditures, which in their opinion were necessary.

If the voters will appropriate only such sums as are necessary to meet the current expenses for 1926 the tax rate can be reduced materially.

Owing to the confused condition of the Town Books for 1924, several bills for labor will be presented to the voters for their approval and a special appropriation asked in order that the parties owed may receive the amount justly due them.

At the beginning of the fiscal year of 1925 there was on hand $426.96. There was received up to Town Meeting $881.26, making a total of $1,308.22. From this sum there had to be immediately deducted $510.00 on account of excess poll taxes of 1924. This sum should have been paid in 1924, with the labor bills, by including them in the special appropriation to meet the deficit of 1924. The item of $881.22, which was handled as an asset in the report of 1924 as due from the State on account of the building of the Exeter road bridge, was found to be uncollectable as the requirements specified by the State were not complied with. The total of these sum has made a difference of $1,391.00 in the finances for 1925.

Owing to the re-valuation of the Town by the State Tax Commission there was created an unforseen expense of about $300.00.

The Police Department received $252.00 for which no appropriation was made. Owing to a law suit brought against the Town for unpaid labor it was necessary to employ council, to whom has been paid to date $75.00.

ROADS

State Aid, Exeter Road. An excess expenditure of $356.31 was created, of which $184.84 will be refunded by the State Highway Department, leaving an actual excess expenditure of $171.44. This expenditure was caused by lack of care of the road bed at the time breaks occurred in the surface.

PERMANENT IMPROVEMENT

An excess expenditure of $881.40 was made on Pleasant Street in front of B. T. Janvrin's property. On complaint that the water from the gutters and road was undermining the foundations of his buildings, it was found that the tile, laid from the gutter across the road, did not extend through but ended within a foot of the front wall. The drain or tile was also crushed. The sidewalk bridge that covered the drain from Elkin's meadow had caved. The Selectmen decided that Mr. Janvrin's' complaint was justified and to avoid complications the road was rebuilt in a permanent manner with proper catch basins and larger tile.

GREAT HILL SPECIAL APPROPRIATION

An excess expenditure of $33.00 occurred. This was justified to complete a very excellent job.

TRACTOR

The $2,000.00 appropriated for a Fordson Tractor and Scraper was not used, as the Selectmen decided, after investigation, that the outfit was not practical. The ideas of handling snow and the design of tractors and plows are changing so rapidly that it seemed wise to await the success or failure of the apparatus of different sizes and makes being used in the surrounding towns be-

fore plunging the Town into an expenditure that might be a total loss.

To avoid tie-ups, the State furnished an army truck and arrangements were made with Hampton and Exeter for the use of their tractors and plows at a nominal cost.

STREET RAILWAY

The Selectmen considered that the payment of $500.-00 to The Exeter, Hampton and Amesbury Railway Co., was not justified under the vote passed by the Town in 1922.

LOUIS B. JANVRIIN,
WALTER B. FARMER,
ARTHUR J. SEWALL,
Selectmen of Hampton Falls.

TRUST FUNDS

Received from W. C. Walton, executor of the will of Mary Pickering Harris, two hundred dollars ($200.00). To be held in trust by the Town of Hampton Falls. Proceeds of this fund to be used for the care of the cemetery lot of Samuel Langdon, D. D. Deposited in the Portsmouth Trust and Guarantee Savings Bank, order of trustees of trust funds, Mary Pickering Harris Fund.

WILLIAM H. McDEVITT,
Trustee.

AUDITORS' REPORT

Hampton Falls, February 6, 1926.

We, the auditors of the town, certify that the above sum has been deposited in the Portsmouth Trust and Guarantee Savings Bank in the name of Trustees of Trust Funds, Town Hampton Falls, N. H., Mary Pickering Harris Fund.

BERTRAM T. JANVRIN,
CHARLES N. DODGE,
HELEN F. BATCHELDER,
Auditors

JANITOR OF TOWN HALL

		DR.		
1925				
Mar.	6	Ladies' Circle	$ 3.00	
Apr.	17	Woman's Club and 10 rehr.	10.00	
June	4	W. C. T. U.	2.00	
Aug.	5	Batchelder reunion	2.00	
Nov.	13	Woman's Club	2.00	
Dec.	11	Woman's Club	2.00	
Dec.	11	School entertainment	3.00	
1926				
Jan.	11	Received from grange	46.00	
Jan.	22	Woman's Club and rehearsal	3.50	
				$73.50

		CR.		
1925				
Jan.	14	Milk meeting	$ .50	
Jan.	26	School	.50	
		2 light plugs	.15	
Feb.	24	Town	.50	
Mar.	9	Caucus	1.00	
Apr.	14	F. B. Shallertun, tuning piano	3.00	
Apr.	15	2 light bulbs	.54	
Dec.	19	D. F. Batchelder, 1 cord pine wood	9.00	
1926				
Jan.		D. F. Batchelder, wood	16.00	
		Opening 17 times for entertainments	13.00	
		Opening 23 times for grange	23.00	
				$67.19
		Paid into treasury, cash on hand		6.31
				$73.50

LIBRARY REPORT

REPORT OF LIBRARY TREASURER

DR.

1925	To cash on hand	$13.44	
	Town appropriation	75.00	
			$88.44

1925 CR.

Aug.	8	Cash paid, rebinding books	$ 8.10	
		Librarian, serv.	31.20	
		For books	48.72	
		Balance on hand	.42	
				$88.44

AUDITORS' REPORT

Hampton Falls, February 6, 1926.

We, the undersigned auditors, have examined the foregoing accounts and find them well vouched and correctly cast and a balance of Forty-two Cents in the treasury.

B. T. JANVRIN,
CHARLES N. DODGE,
Auditors.

BOOKS ADDED TO THE LIBRARY

Abbott, Jane ..... Aprilly
Abbott, Jane ..... Larkspur
Bachiler ..... Days of Poor Richard
Barrington ..... Glorious Apollo
Bailey ..... Shanghaied Out of 'Frisco
Bower ..... Phantom Herd
Cobb ..... Old Judge Priest
Colver ..... If Dreams Come True
Cooper ..... Spy, The
Curwood ..... Flower of the North
Dawson, C ..... Vanishing Point
Dodge ..... Hans Brinker
Farnol ..... Loring Mystery
Franck ..... Roving Through China
Gibbs, H. ..... Soundings
Hough ..... Girl at the Halfway House
Hough ..... Story of the Outlaw
Kyne ..... Cappy Ricks
Kyne ..... Captain Scraggs
Lutz ..... Exit Betty
Lutz ..... Witness, The
McCutcheon ..... Oliver October
Melville ..... White Jacket
Montgomery ..... Emily of New Moon
Oemler ..... Two Shall Be Born
Ostenso ..... Wild Geese
Parrish ..... Comrades of Peril
Pedler ..... Hermit of the Far End
Porter, Gene S. ..... Keeper of the Bees
Powell, A. ..... Map Half Unrolled
Powell, D. ..... Whither
Quick ..... Hawkeye
Raine ..... Pirate of Panama
Rhodes ..... Bransford of Rainbow Range
Richmond ..... Rufus

Rinehart ..... Window at White Cat
Robertson ..... Masters of Men
Sabatini ..... Carolinian, The
Spearman ..... Selwood of Sleepy Cat
Stringer ..... Gun Runner
Springer ..... Fire Mountain
Tarkington ..... Turmoil, The
Tarkington ..... Two Van Revels
Weyman ..... Queen's Folly
Whitlock ..... J. Hardin and Son
Willsie ..... Exile of Lariat
Wilson, H. L. ..... Somewhere in Red Gap
Wright ..... Son of His Father

AUDITORS' GENERAL REPORT

We, the undersigned, as auditors for the town of Hampton Falls have audited the following accounts and find them all well vouched and correctly cast: Town Clerk, Tax Collector, Town Treasurer, Town Hall, Library, Trust Funds and School Treasurer.

B. T. JANVRIN,
C. N. DODGE,
HELEN F. BATCHELDER,

February 6, 1926.

SCHOOL REPORT

DETAILED STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES
FINANCIAL REPORT OF TREASURER

June 30, 1924 to June 30, 1925

Administration		
Chairman of school board	$ 20.00	
Other two members of board	20.00	
Treasurer to June 30, 1925	15.00	
Superintendent's excess salary	150.56	
Expenses of administration	8.83	
Clerk hire for Supt.	31.05	
		$245.44
Instruction		
Teaching at East school	$ 900.00	
Teaching at South school	700.00	
Teaching at North school	700.00	
Music instruction	126.00	
Text books	8.33	
Scholars' supplies	112.60	
		$2,546.93
Operation and Maintenance of School Plants		
Janitor service at East school	$ 113.88	
Janitor service at South school	41.00	
Janitor service at North school	27.00	
Wood and sawing wood	166.00	
Repairs and painting	235.02	
Paint and merchandise	17.11	
		$600.01

Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities

Transportation of pupils	$ 179.55	
Tuition to Newburyport High	300.00	
Exeter	250.00	
Rob. Fem. Sem.	344.00	
Hampton	1,475.00	
Amesbury	75.00	
		$2,623.55
Per capita tax		$146.00

ADDITIONAL RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

June 30, 1925 to February 1, 1926

RECEIPTS

1925			
June 30	Balance on hand	$ 5.31	
Sept. 8	Town treasurer	500.00	
Nov. 2	Town treasurer	1,000.00	
Dec. 7	Town treasurer	800.00	
1926			
Jan. 4	Town treasurer	1,400.00	
Jan. 25	Dearborn Academy fund	25.00	
Jan. 30	Town treasurer	1,000.00	
	Balance due from town	1,000.00	
			$5,730.31

PAYMENTS

Administration	$ 4.07
Teachers' salaries	1,105.00
Text books and supplies	48.53
Janitor service	73.00
Fuel and sawing	136.15
Repairs, material, painting and cleaning	45.22

Tuition	1,197.36	
Medical inspection	25.00	
Nurse hire	5.00	
Farewell gift to H. L. Moore	10.00	
Supt. excess salary	114.06	
Per capita tax	174.00	
Balance, Feb. 1, 1926	2,792.92	
		$5,730.31

SCHOOL DISTRICT BALANCE

ASSETS

Total receipts from all sources . . .	$6,160.30	
Total cash on hand, June 30, 1924	6.94	
Grand total		$6,167.24

SHEET JUNE 30, 1925

LIABILITIES

Total payments for all purposes	$6,161.93	
Total cash on hand, June 30, 1925	5.31	
Grand total		$6,167.24

FORREST B. CREIGHTON,
School Treasurer.

AUDITORS' REPORT

Hampton Falls, N. H., February 6, 1926.

We, the undersigned auditors, have this day examined the foregoing accounts and find them well vouched and correctly cast and a balance of Five Dollars, Thirty One Cents ($5.31) in the hands of the Treasurer.

B. T. JANVRIN,
CHARLES N. DODGE,
HELEN F. BATCHELDER,
Auditors.

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL BOARD

To the citizens of Hampton Falls

We hereby submit the annual financial report of the school district of Hampton Falls, including the receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year 1924-1925, also the budget of estimated revenue needed for the year 1925-1926.

RECEIPTS

Fiscal year from July 1, 1924 to June 30, 1925

From Selectmen	$6,081.95	
Other sources than taxation	78.35	
For dog licenses $78.35		
Total receipts from all sources		$6,160.30
Cash on hand at beginning of year, July 1, 1924		6.94
Grand Total		$6,167.24

PAYMENTS

Administration		$253.03
Salaries of district officers	$ 55.00	
Excess salary	150.56	
Expenses of administration	47.47	
Instruction		$2,535.86
Principals' and teachers' sal.	$2,426.00	
Text books	23.33	
Flags and appurtenances	7.15	
Scholars' supplies	79.38	
Operation and Maintenance of School Plant		$599.77
Janitor service	$186.95	
Fuel	167.00	
Water, light, janitors' supplies	4.58	
Minor repairs and expenses	241.24	
Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities		$2,623.55
Transportation of pupils	$ 179.55	
High School and Academy tuition	899.00	
Elementary school tuition	1,545.00	
Outlay for Construction and Equipment		$3.72
New equipment	$3.72	
Debt, Interest and Other Charges		$146.00
Tax for State wide supervision	$146.00	
Total payments for all purposes		$6,161.93
Total cash on hand at end of year (June 30, 1925)		5.31
Grand Total		$6,167.24

BUDGET

Estimated Revenue Needed for Fiscal Year July 1, 1926 to June 30, 1927

Salaries of district officers	$ 55.00
Excess salary	125.00
Expenses of administration and clerk hire	40.00
Salaries	2,400.00
Supplies	50.00
Books	50.00
Flags	10.00
Janitor service	150.00
Fuel	250.00
Minor repairs	100.00
Health	30.00
Tuition	2,500.00
New equipment	25.00
Per capita tax	160.00
Painting exterior of East School	200.00
	$6,145.00

Respectfully submitted,

ROSCOE SWAIN,
MRS. WILLIAM CRAM,
MRS. ARTHUR CHASE.

January 30, 1926.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

HAMPTON FALLS, January 30, 1926.

To the School Board of Hampton Falls:

I herewith submit to you my first annual report as superintendent of the schools of Hampton Falls.

Having assumed my duties in this Union on October 1, 1925, I have now served four months. This has been sufficient time only to become acquainted with your town, its schools and its people and to take a few steps toward increased efficiency in the schools.

I find Hampton Falls divided into three school districts, each with a one-room schoolhouse and one teacher. These houses are so situated that every pupil is within walking distance of a schoolhouse. In each of these schools we find grades one to six, except that in the North School there are two seventh grade pupils.

The South or Great Hill school contains eight pupils and four grades, the first, third, fifth and sixth.

The town is fortunate in securing local teachers of long and successful experience to place in charge of two of its schools. This insures that is these two schools excellent work will be done. The greatest drawback to the schools of Hampton Falls is the small number of pupils in the several grades and the consequent lack of competition and healthy rivalry and emulation.

In the three schools there are five grades with only one pupil in each, three with two pupils in each, four with three, one with four, two with five, and two with six.

At least four pupils are desirable and in the case of many children absolutely essential that these pupils may do their best work, yet of seventeen classes only five contain this number or more.

What is the solution of this problem?

Undoubtedly, if conditions make it feasible, the bringing of all pupils to a central school. Leaving the seventh grade out of consideration at the present time each of the six grades would then contain from four to twelve pupils, with no grade too small and none too large for effective work. This would make a school large enough to make possible many activities which create interests, develop desirable traits of character and train the pupils along lines which are impossible under the present organization.

A central schoolhouse would entail some additional expense in the way of transportation but as an investment, would in my opinion, be well worth the price, both of the initial cost of a new building and the additional running expense.

The change in organization whereby the pupils of the seventh and eighth grades were permitted to attend the Hampton Junior High School and their tuition paid by the town was put into effect in September, 1924, and was a step in the right direction. But this method is not feasible to carry to any grade lower than the seventh, and in my judgment the central building offers the only feasible solution.

The enrollment in the first six grades this year shows a total of forty-seven against a total last year of forty-one.

The attendance of eighteen Hampton Falls pupils in Senior High Schools and of nineteen in Junior High School shows conclusively that the people of Hampton Falls believe in education.

My efforts during the four months of my work have been to become acquainted with the problem of what is best for the schools and meanwhile to see that the

schoolrooms are clean, comfortable, sanitary, well-lighted, well-heated, and attractive, that the teachers and pupils are supplied with the best books, appliances and equipment obtainable under the budget and that the teachers use the most efficient methods of discipline and instruction. To this end an intelligence examination was given to all pupils of the seventh and eighth grades in the Union and all pupils of the fifth, sixth and seventh grades were given an arithmetic test which was given the same day to all pupils of those grades in Massachusetts. The first of these examinations shows the native mental ability of the pupils and the latter gives a chance to compare their skill in, and knowledge of, arithmetic with that of other pupils.

A special effort has been made to increase the percentage of attendance and punctuality by issuing each week a schedule showing the comparative rank in these two regards of the thirty-two schools and the seven districts in the Union.

Above all I have tried to help the teachers in all ways possible for in the last analysis it is the teachers who are doing the actual work for the pupils.

I trust the good people of Hampton Falls stand ready to cooperate, to contribute their means, and if necessary actually to sacrifice that their children may have the best possible opportunity for an education. I call your attention to the tables of statistics which follow.

Assuring you of my interest in your schools and an earnest desire to be of assistance to every pupil, I submit this report.

CHARLES N. PERKINS,
Superintendent.

SCHOOL STATISTICS, 1924-1925

Attendance

School Grade	Teacher	Av. Mem.	No. Tardy	% of Attend.	Attend. R. of H.
East 1-6	M. Alice True	18	56	94	0
North 1-6	Mabelle McDevitt	16	64	93	0
South 1-8	Edna M. Hardy	11	2	94	3
Total or Average		45	122	94	3

Promotions, June, 1925

Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Total
Promoted	4	14	2	10	7	6	1	1	45
Not prom.	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4
Av. ages	6.7	7.5	7.11	9.2	9.8	11.2	11.8	13.6	

Enrollment Fall Term, 1925

Teacher	School	Grade 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total
M. Alice True	East	6	3	6	2	5	1		23
Mabelle McDevitt	North	1	1	4	3	1	5	2	17
Edna M. Hardy	South	3	0	2	0	3	1		9
		10	4	12	5	9	7	2	49

ATTENDANCE ROLL OF HONOR

Pupils Not Absent or Tardy During the Year

Alice Currier
Pauline Thurlow
Georgie Currier

Pupils Not Absent or Tardy During Two Terms

John Cram

Pupils Not Absent or Tardy During One Term

Lincoln Akerman
Elinor Brown
Janet Sewell
William Pevear
Martha Thurlow
Dorothy Thurlow
Harold Brown
Leo French
Stanley French
Edward O'Brien
Dorothy Swain

HAMPTON FALLS PUPILS

Attending the Following High Schools for a Part or All of This Year

Hampton—Marion Poole, Grace Cadwell, Sybil Carpenter, Eleanor Corthell, Mary Hadley, Frances Cadwell, Robert Scales.

Exeter—Olive Akerman, Joseph Cram, Philip Moulton.

Robinson Seminary—Lois Brown, Annie Lee, Stella Smith, Pearl Swain, Bernice O'Brien.

Newburyport—Alden Page, Marjorie Rowe.

Amesbury—Charlotte R. Ackerman.

Hampton Junior High School—Roscoe Berry, Alice Currier, Allison Janvrin, Philip Janvrin, Ardelle Thurlow, Harvey Cadwell, Katherine Cram, Margaret Godfrey, Stanley Gordon, Otis Hadley, Gordon Janvrin, Louise Page, Louise Rowe, Caroline Thurlow, Marshall Chase, Natalie Corthell, Pauline Thurlow, William Pevear, Harold Poole.

SCHOOL CENSUS, 1925

Whole No. children 5 to 16 years of age	81
Boys	40
Girls	41
Whole No. children not registered in school and excused	1

SUMMARY, 1924-1925

Total pupils enrolled in public schools	49
Value of buildings and sites	$8,000.00
Value of equipment	800.00
Average salary of teachers	766.66
Visits by School Board	23
Visits by Superintendent	40
Visits by Citizens	166
Total No. days of school	174½

SCHOLARSHIP ROLL OF HONOR

Pupils attaining "A" in a majority of their subjects plus "A" in application for the first half of the school year:

Elinor F. Brown
Ernest N. Brown
Harold A. Brown
Emma E. Cadwell
Arthur Carpenter
Henrietta Chase
Lucy E. Cram
Mary Janvrin
Marguerite O'Brien
Jessie Page
Emmons Sanborn
Elmer M. Sewall
Dorothy G. Swain
Kenneth W. Swain

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF HAMPTON FALLS, N. H., FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1925.

Date	Name of Child	Male	Female	Living or Stillborn	No. of Children	Color	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
May 17	Agnes Leah		F	L	5	W	Robert N. Van Horn	Rhoda Ann Fuller	Nova Scotia	Hyde Park, Mass.
Oct. 30	———	M		L	1	W	Carlton S. Edgerly	Hazel Shaw	Hampton Falls	Hampton Falls

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF HAMPTON FALLS, N. H., FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1925.

Date	Name and Surname of Deceased	Place of Birth	Years	Months	Days	Male	Female	Color	Sin. Mar. or Wid.	Name of Father	Name of Mother
Feb. 2 1925	Grace G. Knight	Hampton Falls	43	8	3		F	W	S	Henry H. Knight	Ruth Green
Feb. 10 1925	Ida May York	Dover, N. H.	43	10	19		F	W	M	Enoch T. Hanson	Lydia A. Austin
Mar. 17 1925	Frank J. Robie	Hampton Falls	55	1	3	M		W	W	Nathan H. Robie	Sarah E. Noyes
Apr. 1 1925	Lillian A. Prescott	Hampton Falls	62	8	19		F	W	S	Alvah Prescott	Minerva Chase
Nov. 30 1925	Bert Lane	Hampton Falls	53		16	M		W	S	Chas. W. Lane	Martha C. Brown
Nov. 27 1925	Jeanette Sewall	Somerville, Mass.	8				F	W	S	Arthur J. Sewall	Gladys Moulton

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN TOWN OF HAMPTON FALLS, N. H., FOR YEAR NEDING DEC. 31, 1925.

Date	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride	Age in Years	Color of Each	Place of Birth of Each	Names of Parents	Name, Residence and Official Station of Person by Whom Married
May 16 1925	Albert F. Sanborn S. Helen Gifford	31 21	W W	Lynn, Mass. Salem, Mass.	Isaac F. Sanborn Mary E. Russell Frederick J. Gifford Sarah Staten	James H. Brown Justice of the Peace Hampton Falls
June 27 1925	Ray W. Combs Isabel M. Moore	30 25	W W	Hampton Falls Randolph, Me.	Charles F. Combs Mary S. Pevear Walter E. Moore Rita Merrill	John Chester Hyde Clergyman Hampton Falls
July 30 1925	Alfred Giannini Norma Moralle	26 21	W W	Italy Barre, Vt.	Guerrino Giannini Laura Baldini John Moralle Clementina Locarna	James H. Brown Justice of the Peace Hampton Falls
Oct. 10 1925	F. Leroy Junkins Mary A. Chase	27 27	W W	Chester, Vt. Hampton Falls	Frank L. Junkins Mary E. Chandler Arthur W. Chase Mabel M. Chase	James W. Bixler Clergyman Exeter, N. H.
Oct. 17 1925	Hiram L. Young Ida P. Merrill	21 18	W W	Seabrook Salisbury, Mass.	William Young Nancy L. Gore Charles A. Merrill Hattie N. Janvrin	John Chester Hyde Clergyman Hampton Falls
Nov. 14 1925	George L. Hadley Grace Rock	21 21	W W	Kensington, N. H. Exeter, N. H.	James W. Hadley Sarah L. Gore Benjamin J. Rock Edith L. Marston	John Chester Hyde Clergyman Hampton Falls